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Application No. 10/738,426Examiner: Sumit PandyaDocket No: 112300-1819First Named Applicant: Anthony J. BaerlocherArt Unit: 3714Status of Application: Pending

Tentative Participants:

(1) Adam H. Masia(2) Jason Skaarup(3) Sumit Pandya(4) John HotellingProposed Date of Interview: July 20, 2006Proposed Time: 3:00 (AM/PM) Eastern Time

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic(2) ☐ Personal(3) ☐ Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES☒ NO

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Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>1, 2, 4-20, and 22-38</u>	<u>Tracy and Plinko</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>3 and 21</u>	<u>Tracy, Plinko and Dietz</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented: Applicants submit that Claims 1-38 are patentable over Tracy (U.S. Patent No. 6,296,568), Plinko (Premiered on TV Show Price is Right 1983) and Dietz (U.S. Patent No. 5,704,835). Applicants wish to discuss claims 1-38 in view of the cited references. Specifically, Applicants wish to present arguments why (1) Tracy, Plinko and Dietz cannot be properly combined for a Section 103 rejection and (2) Tracy, Plinko and Dietz, whether analyzed alone or in combination, do not teach the claimed invention. Additionally, Applicants seek clarification as to which claims are rejected under Section 103 as being unpatentable over Tracy in view of Plinko.

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